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Sent: Mon 8/29/2011 4:14:05 PM
Subject: Re: Proposed methods for preliminary jd and condition assessment for BDCP conveyance options
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Hi: I am fine with responding to the email. It occurs to me that we can make mention of the meetings we have had and the electronic transmittal of the final proposed approaches.

I am sure that Dale HF is involved as Karen asked me for an update before a recent phone call with her.

I will include a copy of the draft approval letter FYI. Please mark up and return.

Mike, I am a bit concerned over one of your comments that they consider using the New England Highway method. The whole idea is to embrace the CRAM-based approach and not some other one. So your mention of another method was confusing to me. I hope and trust you are on board with the methodology they are embracing, which is essentially the state's approved approach advancing the Wetland and Riparian Area Monitoring Strategy (as endorsed by Dale HF, Jon Bishop and the Monitoring Council on behalf of the secretaries of the Resources Agency and Cal EPA, respectively).

Erin, once you're OK with this letter, I'll get it signed and on its way.

Paul

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Date: 08/29/2011 08:56 AM
Subject: Re: Proposed methods for preliminary jd and condition assessment for BDCP conveyance options

Hey Mike and Paul,

This is just me maybe being a little too formal, but I think DWR should send a hard copy letter requesting concurrence if they are asking for a hard copy-letter head approval from Corps and EPA. It is awkward to supply that concurrence in response to the email below. I assume Gail okayed it with Dale HF before sending it to us so maybe it is fine this way. If you are ready to concur on the methods transmitted below (or whenever you think it is ready), maybe it is just as good and more practical to write the letter-head concurrence in response to Gail's email and include the email with attachments it in the response at

attachments?

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Paul and Mike,

Attached are DWR's proposed approaches to both the preliminary jurisdictional determination and condition assessment for the conveyance options addressed in the BDCP EIR/EIS. We have incorporated edits to the draft documents after receiving comments from both the USACE and USEPA.

As we discussed at our last meeting on July 7, DWR is requesting concurrence that these methodologies are acceptable to the USACE and USEPA for assessing impacts to Waters of the U.S. including Wetlands for use in the Section 404(b)(1) Alternatives Analysis.

If you concur, please address the letter to Rich Sanchez with cc's to the others listed below. If you have questions or concerns, please contact me. The names and addresses are listed below.

Thank you,

Gail

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